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### STORIES ABOUT TOWN.

#### Mrs. Thorpe Tells About Some Destitution Cases.

#### HANDS AS SEEN IN POLICE COURT.

#### A Picture Fall of Interest—How an Elderly Lover Fell into a Well.

The poor question is one that is just at present bothering a majority of the people in Topeka who are charitably inclined. It has been suggested that in the face of the strike and the hard summer we have had, it will be very hard for the city to take care of its poor this winter; that while the number of needy will be increased the facilities for aid will be decreased.

Probably no one in the city has had more to do with them and knows more about the poor than Mrs. Thorpe, the matron of the city prison. A JOURNAL reporter visited her today and she said this to say about destitution:

"I do not see why the destitution should be nearly so great as last winter unless the wandering tribes return, as usual, to live off the city's charity."

"Two-thirds of the families helped last winter have profited well by the experience and have worked like beavers all summer, and not only earned but saved, and some of them will be proud to be able to help back this winter."

"Of the deserving cases, I think there will not be more than one to fifty who are able to help them. Our people are always ready to help those who are worthy, and such cases have only to be made known to get relief."

"They will be well cared for, and certainly ought to be willing to receive that care in the way easiest to their benefactors."

"Life at the poor farm is very far from being the imprisonment imagined by some. As for myself, if I ever come to pass that I must live on public benefit, I would despise to ask the taxpayer, who had already anticipated my need and provided a free and comfortable home, to keep me at extra expense elsewhere."

"I think if the 'niggers' are provided with land and stock on the coast the Associated Charities will not need the supplies given last winter by one-half."

"We have pretenders, but even they can be handled advantageously. Last fall an elderly woman came to me with a very hacking cough, a long face, a wretched wardrobe, exhibiting a very yellow complexion for one, stating she had been burned out and had six children. Evidently she was a 'professional' I said: 'If you will go home and wash and mend your dress, burn up that paper and stop coughing and whining, I will help you tomorrow. She did as I told her. I got her work, encouraged her, and, lo and behold, the whole family have actually stepped up into respectability and independence, and I do not think they will beg this winter."

"Many children will stay home from school this winter because they cannot dress as others, and now is the time to look after them and get them started at the beginning of the term."

#### A STUDY IN HANDS.

They are seen in a long and interesting row in Police Court.

Oh, the hands, the beautiful hands! Hands fit for murder, hands fit for theft, hands fit for fraud, hands fit for every crime. Most of them dirty, few of them clean. The strangest array of hands ever seen. Hands that are as white as snow, as fat, as seen in police court and places like that. When those who are witnesses hold up their hands.

If you never have enjoyed the diversion of being a police court habitue, you have missed a great deal of valuable experience in the line of becoming a palmer. You have also missed a great deal of fun.

There is an interesting study in the hands that come across the bar of heavenward there every morning there is a big case and a cloud of witnesses. When the witnesses for one side of a case are to be examined time is saved by swearing to all of them at once and sometimes a dozen hands of a dozen interesting varieties are aloft at one time when the judge is gazing absently out of the window and pronouncing the old mechanical oath: "You'n each of you, d' solemnly swear'testimony you give is the case the truth, 'cholo truth 'a nuthin' but 't truth, 'elp ye God," and each hand goes down again to blanch up a gallus, scratch a limb or rearrange a hair.

No matter what the case is, it is probably a chicken case, in which Mrs. Brown's pullets have been trespassing on Mrs. Smith's garden. All the neighbors are witnesses and both have a variety of alibi, some to the fullest of their capacities and some barely to the shoulder.

There is a fine ring on one. No matter how it came there. That's none of your business nor the court's—just now. It is a feminine hand. It is young and white—comparatively—and fairly plump. The finger nails are trimmed close and there is a little dirt under the corners of them. The fingers are a little crooked and short and show the compulsory cleanliness of dish water. You know instinctively that the owner of that hand is a kitchen girl and goes out walking evenings.

Next to this the judge sees a pink hand palm with a black edging and backed by a black wrist. The side you see is all black. It is probably from Tennessee. Its fingers are crooked, too, but its ring is brass and it is free from the fear of being blackened by it. It belongs to a colored laborer.

Here is a little fat black hand. You can almost see a giggle in it. The fingers wiggle unconsciously and the hand starts to come down half a dozen times before the oath is over. It is the property of a middle-aged colored woman.

You would hate to meet this hand alone in the dark. It is big and bony and dirty. It looks like a hand that other people's things would easily stick to. There is a wart on the back of it and the nails are rather too long and dirty.

You have seen hands like that on tramps. The next hand has a special interest and as you look at it you remember a hand that in the long gone days was wont to smooth your hair and cool your childish brow; a hand that was neither white nor soft but that was dearer to you than the whitest or the softest. The only hand that holds in its clasp the future of the world—your mother's. It is wrinkled some although the skin looks drawn and hard. The fingers are bent with weary, ceaseless toil. The hand bears scars of needle wounds and bygone burns. It is brown and withered and as you look at it you rather like to think that it is reaching the time when it will no longer feel the tremble of sorrow nor the clasp of pain alone perhaps, without the presence of those it worked and suffered for.

And there are humorous hands, and as they appear before his honor in an irregular row you can't help thinking that if you were going to issue a cromo you would have it instead of a "Yard of Roses," or a "Yard of Pansies," or a "Yard of Hands" and get the model there.

#### HIS PASSION DAMPENED.

A Sixty-Year-Old Romeo Falls in a Well—Juliet Still Waits.

There has never been a line in Cupid's constitution or by-laws that prevented him from using as a target any man he saw fit, regardless of age, politics or sex. There is a gentleman in Topeka who knows this is true.

Mr. Johnson—whose name isn't Johnson at all—is in love again. He is slim and sixty, and must be quite used to it by this time, for he has never been married. It is really thought he would like to be now, though. The adored is a widow, blonde and buxom, who lives in the settlement southeast of the Santa Fe shops. Her heart has been touched afresh by the playings of her new—or old—admirer, and she had not the courage to object when Mr. Johnson began calling often than once a week and the neighbors began to say things.

The courtship would undoubtedly have reached a happy finality this evening had it not been for an unpleasant accident that happened to our aged gallant en route to the arms of his prospective fiancée.

He was dressed in his Sunday best, and the fires of his passion were urging him to his faithful spouse. He would see the visions of his loved one in the air before him. He was approaching the house. It was too far around to the front door for an anxious man, and Mr. Johnson concluded he must still the beating of his heart as soon as possible by cutting across lots to the back door. This was an error fatal to his hopes.

In the vacant lot there is an old well, with two feet of water, four feet of mud and no conscience to speak of. This well is thirty-six feet deep, and every foot is one of diabolical cruelty.

Mr. Johnson didn't know it was there—then. He is very well satisfied now that it is.

Some of the men of the neighborhood heard screams and yells and curses deep down in the stomach of the earth. There was no investigation, and a rope was secured after half an hour's search, during which Mr. Johnson spent the time in supplication to the spirit world, asking the unfortunate man was rescued, dripping wet, muddy and so mad that he would have torn his hair out if he had had any.

The boys were impolite enough to laugh at him, and that didn't cool him off a bit. Although the boys had been kind to him, Mr. Johnson did not stop to thank them, but trotted for home as fast as his short legs would carry him, lighting the darkness with an azure that of profanity.

The widow still waits by her window.

#### MRS. SEMPLE SARCASTIC.

Resolves to Rely on the Almighty to Release Vanderberg.

Mrs. Etta Semple, now president of the Kansas Free Thought association, is recognized a bright woman, and as is often the case her brightness is not without a touch of humor. She was recently at the surface when her feelings of indignation got the better of her.

At the meeting of the association Saturday night the subject of securing the release of the Leavenworth man, Vanderberg, from the county jail, was discussed. Mrs. Semple was intensely interested, but treated her home as fast as his short legs would carry him, lighting the darkness with an azure that of profanity.

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MOTHER'S FRIEND WAISTS—Laundered, of Fine Percal 50c.

## GRAND OPENING BOY'S AND CHILDREN'S CLOTHING—

FOR six years our store has been the recognized trading place of nine-tenths the parents of Topeka—and it's simply because we always have the newest and latest and always lower in price than the lowest.

**\$5.00 FIVE DOLLARS—IS THE POPULAR PRICE \$5.00** of all wool Knee Pant Suits—double seat and knees.—Also of Black Clay Worsteds.

**\$3.50** Is the price we sell all wool double breasted Knee Pant Suits for.—Made of all wool Tweeds, Cheviots and Cassimeres—best line in the city.—Also our all wool Combination Suits at \$3.50, consists of double breasted coat, 2 pants, and cap to match—worth \$5 easily.

**50c** For our all wool Knee Crack-a-Jack Knee Pants—double knees—warranted not to rip. Regular Dollar Pants. **50c**

**LONG PANT SUITS**—Elegant assortment—any style—long out—\$5, \$6.50, \$10, \$12.50, \$15. **BOY'S LONG PANTS**—all wool—\$1.50, \$2, \$2.50.



BEST 50c BOY'S HATS ON EARTH.

**709 KANSAS AVENUE. Auerbach & Guettel.**

# Palace Clothing Co.

### VANDERBERG'S FRIENDS.

The Free Thinkers Adopt Resolutions Pertaining to Him and Others.

At their convention, the Free Thinkers, of which F. J. Vanderberg is one, passed the following resolutions condemning unjust imprisonments and prosecutions in three cases; those of Vanderberg, of Mrs. Walsbrook and of J. B. Wise, of Clay Center, who are also under arrest for violating postal laws:

Whereas, This convention has heard, on reliable evidence, that a young man named F. J. Vanderberg, a citizen and native of Holland, but for several years a resident of the United States, is now imprisoned in the Shawnee county jail, and has been confined there and in the county jail of Leavenworth county for more than one year without even a preliminary trial, on a charge of using the mails for a fraudulent purpose; and

Whereas, The evidence before this convention is that the charges against him have been trumped up to gratify partisan spite, religious hate and business rivalry; and

Whereas, The law of equity as well as the constitution of the United States guarantees to every person accused of and imprisoned for crime, a speedy and impartial trial; therefore

Resolved, That this convention enter its solemn protest against what seems a case of judicial and official crime against an innocent and worthy man, and that we as an organization and as individuals, pledge ourselves to do all in our power to secure his release from prison and to help to build up a public conscience that will from upon and prevent such outrages in the future.

Whereas, This convention has been informed that Mrs. Lois Walsbrook, editor of Foundation Principles, a reform journal published in Topeka, has been arrested on the complaint of one R. M. McAfee, a postal inspector and agent of the New York Society for the Prevention of Vice, and that she is now held under bonds for her appearance for trial at the October term of the United States district court at Leavenworth, and

Whereas, Mrs. Walsbrook is known to the liberal public and has been known for many years as an earnest and efficient worker in the cause of liberty for woman, man and child—being the author of several widely read and highly appreciated books inculcating the higher morality in sexual relations of women and men together with a demand for better conditions of heredity and maternity; therefore be it

Resolved, That the Free Thinkers of Kansas in convention assembled, do hereby enter our earnest and solemn protest against the usurpation of power by which such prosecutions and persecutions are made possible and against all such prostitution and perversion of the legislative and judicial authority—whose only legitimate function is the protection of the citizen in her or his right to life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness.

Resolved, second, That we tender to Mrs. Walsbrook our earnest sympathy, and that we agree and promise to do all we can as individuals and as an organization, to sustain and help her in the grand work of human enlightenment and human emancipation, to which work she has so unselfishly devoted her life.

Whereas, The Free Thinkers association has been informed of the arrest, under the Comstock law, of J. B. Wise, a worthy man and an earnest Free Thinker living at Clay Center, Kansas, charged with the law-made crime of obscenity—the said offense being the sending of a verse of the Hebrew bible through the mails and that Mr. Wise has been imprisoned in the county jail at Leavenworth on this charge, and that he is now under bond for his appearance for trial in the United States district court; therefore be it

Resolved, That the Kansas Free Thinkers extend to Mr. Wise our cordial sympathy, and that we demand for him a speedy and unconditional release from bonds and a prompt vindication by the court of his taken right to send through the common mail whatever he chooses to send provided that in doing so he does not invade the personal and property rights of any individual and also that in so doing he does not endanger in any way the postal service.

Rudy's Pile Suppository is guaranteed to cure Piles and Constipation, or money refunded. 50 cents per box. Send stamp for circular and free sample to Martin Rudy, Lancaster, Pa. For sale by all first-class druggists, and in Topeka by W. R. Kennedy, corner Fourth and Kansas avenue.

Peerless Steam Laundry—Peerless Steam Laundry.

### SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

Items of Interest About Topeka People and Visitors in Town.

Yesterday at noon Miss Laura Mohler, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Martin Mohler, and Henry C. Buell, of Osborne, Kansas, were united in marriage.

At the hour appointed, Rev. E. S. Farland met them in a pretty nook carpeted with a handsome white Japanese fur rug and a thick growth of palms and golden rod banked on the three sides. The "Norwegian Bridal Procession," played by the bride's sister, Mrs. A. A. Selvaag, preceded the ceremony and during congratulations the soft music of mandolin and guitar sounded sweetly through the room.

Mr. and Mrs. Mohler, Mrs. E. Shaw, of Milwaukee, Wis., and Mrs. C. W. Buell, of Osborne, received the guests, who numbered about fifty. Mrs. Buell was in handsome black silk with jet ornaments; Mrs. Buell wore black satin duchesse with lace, and Mrs. Shaw an elegant gown of black brocade, en train, with vest of old point and diamonds.

The bride's gown was of white India silk, slightly trained and trimmed with a bounce of point of spirit lace. The high bodice was puffed and lace crossed in front in fish fashion. Her shoes and gloves were white and she carried a bridal bouquet of roses and ferns.

A wedding breakfast was served immediately after congratulations and Mr. and Mrs. Buell departed at once for Chicago where they expect to remain for a year. Mr. Buell will continue his theological studies at the McCormick seminary.

The bride and groom were members of the same graduating class at Osborne and the bride was a Washburn student; a valuable fur rug was the tribute from her classmates there, and an oxidized silver clock was received from the class at Osborne.

Among the out of town guests were Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Buell of Osborne, Mrs. Elizabeth Shaw of Milwaukee, Rev. and Mrs. Harry Mills of Strong City and Misses Maybelle and Irene True of Newman, Kans.

General Social Notes

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Hulcomb are up from Carbondale.

W. W. Carr went to Endora yesterday. Mrs. Fred Gordon of Chicago is visiting in the city.

David Sibley went to Chicago today. The Mandolin club of the city, and the Episcopal choir together, with other voices will surround the Bethany girls tonight.

Mrs. D. H. Johnston and Mrs. Thomas Cross have returned from Emporia.

Miss Marie Norton will entertain a few friends this evening for Mr. and Mrs. Will Norton of Iowa.

The friend of Mrs. F. M. Conwell are glad to see her able to drive out again after her long and severe illness.

Mrs. E. Shaw accompanied her sister Mrs. C. W. Buell to Osborne today, where she will spend a couple of weeks before returning to Milwaukee.

Mrs. Edward Wilder will leave soon for Prof. Leib and Prof. Buch of Lawrence will assist at Lee Forbes' recital Saturday evening at Library hall.

Will Mooney was up from Kansas City yesterday visiting friends.

Miss Mary Da'las returned to Washington, D. C. today.

Lindsay Peguiss has gone to Mansfield, La., for a three weeks' visit.

The Epworth league of the First M. E. church will give a social Friday afternoon and evening at Garfield park.

Mrs. A. Dienst and daughter Blanche and Mr. and Mrs. Norman Weir have returned from Manitou.

### Minor Social Mention.

Miss Ida Dickinson has gone to Arkansas City.

Mrs. B. F. Booker is expected soon from Virginia City, Nevada. A bicycle party is being planned for tonight.

Mrs. Harry Eagle, of Kansas City, is visiting friends here this week.

R. L. Noshbaum and Chas. Spencer enjoyed an outing at Martin's hill yesterday.

Miss May Maxwell has returned from a visit in Lawrence.

J. H. Wetherell will open his dancing academy with a reception Friday evening, September 21.

Mrs. Ernest Rice and Miss Jennie West are expected next week from Denver to visit their parents Mr. and Mrs. J. West.

Ray Pond, Bert Lemon and Jack Mercer left today for Manhattan, to attend the Agricultural college.

J. H. Moss has returned from Chicago. Miss Sadie Gibbs, of Carbondale, is the guest of Mrs. John Curry.

Sam Lux will go to St. Louis tomorrow on business.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Reiser gave a picnic at Garfield park yesterday.

J. P. Davis was in Atchison yesterday. Miss Grace Fouka left today for South Bond, Ind., to attend the St. Marys convent.

Mrs. C. R. Hudson is spending the day in Kansas City.

Mrs. Charles Smith, of Colorado, is the guest of Mrs. C. A. Sultz. She will remain about six weeks.

Mrs. Fred Col will entertain the Danze Whist club tomorrow afternoon.

Miss Mary Sommers has returned from Cascade, Col.

Mrs. C. H. Townslee and daughter Grace, of Glenwood, Ia., is visiting Mrs. W. W. Wick.

The Epworth club will meet this evening with Miss May Maxwell.

Miss Anna Hartwell left today for Massachusetts to attend Mount Holyoke seminary.

Mr. and Mrs. M. W. Van Valkenburg have returned from New York, where they have been for the past month.

Miss Ida Little, of Oakland, Cal., is expected Saturday to spend a couple of weeks with her sister, Mrs. R. M. Ward.

W. C. Perry Hauls Up Jacobson and Makes Him Unburden.

## Capital Grocery.

Popular Low Price Grocery.

109 EAST SIXTH STREET.

Another whirl at low prices that will bring the crowd. Prices cut way below any offering in the town, and the goods all of guaranteed merit. If saving is any object to you, if you are at all inclined to economy, you can't afford to overlook these goods at such prices.

- 4 pkgs rolled oats 20c.
- 30 lbs sugar \$1.00.
- 10 lb best lard \$1.00.
- 5 lb best lard 50c.
- 100 California Raisins at 85c.
- 25 lb pail apple butter \$1.00.
- 25 lbs navy beans \$1.00.
- 25 lbs lima beans \$1.00.
- 2 cans salmon 25c.
- Brook trout per can 12c.
- 6 lb sardines 25c.
- 5 bars laundry soap 25c.
- 6 ivory soap 25c.
- 1 lb full cream cheese 25c.
- 6 qt keg pure cider vinegar \$1.25.
- 25 lb box soda crackers \$1.00.
- 50c cans lye 2c.
- 35c bottle blueing 10c.
- 5c bottle blueing 25c.
- Spray yeast 85c.
- 6 qt keg pure elder vinegar \$1.25.
- 1 gal best syrup 8c.
- 1 gal best cornmeal 25c.
- 25 lb large layer raisins \$1.00.
- 5 cans oysters 25c.
- 2 cans macaroni 25c.
- 2 cans French peas 25c.
- 2 cans corn shrimps 25c.
- 1 box gum 25c.
- 1 lb macaroni 25c.
- Large bottle olives 15c.
- 40 bottles pickles 25c.
- 30 pickles 25c.
- 6 gal pickles 25c.
- 2 lbs pepper, allspice, ginger, cloves, cinnamon 25c.
- 10 lb best flour in the world \$1.25.
- 125 lbs Shawnee county flour \$1.25.
- 1 lb can cream baking powder 10c.
- 25c scrub brush 5c.
- 8 good brooms 25c.
- 8 pkgs 1775 powder 25c.
- Best creamery butter per lb 25c.
- 5 cans best sugar corn 25c.
- 5 cans best tomatoes 25c.
- 1 lb pkgs smoking tobacco 15c.
- 4 lbs bulk starch 25c.
- 12 lbs salt soda 25c.
- 5 lbs soda 25c.
- 25c starch per pkg 5c.
- Laundry starch per pkg 5c.
- 50c bottle lemon extract 25c.
- 50c bottle vanilla extract 25c.
- 5 lbs Japan tea \$1.00.
- 4 lbs tea 25c.
- 2 cans best California peaches 65c.
- 5 cans best California pears 65c.
- 5 cans best California apples 65c.
- 5 cans best California peaches 65c.
- 5 boxes mixed spices 25c.
- Best creamery butter per lb 25c.

## S. Sproat, Capital Grocery.

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that all the good horses of the west will be here. He will furnish for publication a complete list of all the entries in the complete and stake races, which will be surprisingly large. All that now remains to make the meeting a complete success is to have our Topeka people turn out and make the gate receipts meet the large expenses incident to such a meeting. The running races will be a special feature this year. A good field of thorough bred will start each day.

In Your Hair Dry and Brittle, Falling Out or Turning Gray?

These are only indications that the follicles or roots of the hair are getting weakened or diseased. Begg's Hair Renewer will strengthen and invigorate the follicles and the hair will regain its natural color and become soft, glossy and healthy. Sold by W. R. Kennedy.

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